PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS SECRETARIAT

Constitution of a District Level Advisory Committee for scrutiny of cases of Freedom Fighters who are unable to furnish jail certificates or certificates from the District Magistrates for their jail suffering.

READ :

1. Government Order No GAD 815 (II) PFS 72 dated 24th/25th August 1972.
2. Government Order No. GAD 941 PFC 73, dated 22nd October 1973.
3. Government Order No. GAD 941 PFC 73, dated 16th November 1973.
4. Government Order No. GAD 941 PFC 74, dated 7th March 1974.
5. Government Order No. GAD 941 PFC 73, dated 19th May 1975.
6. Government Order No. GAD 941 PFC 73, dated 25th May 1976 and
7. Government Order No. DPAR 14 PFC 78, dated 27th April 1978.

PREAMBLE :

In Government Order No. GAD 815 (II) PFS 72, dated 24th/25th August 1972 a Committee consisting of members of the Legislature and other non-officials was constituted to select Freedom Fighters in the State to be honoured by award of Tamrapatras. This Committee has also been entrusted with the scrutiny of claims for Central Pension from Freedom Fighters who are unable to get the required certificates from M P s./M L As —present or past—regarding their political sufferings, in the absence of a Jail Certificate or a certificate from the District Magistrate. The Committee has also been requested to scrutinise claims for Central Pensions on various other grounds such as Internment, Loss of Job, etc., where the applicants cannot produce the required documents. The Committee has been re-constituted with Sri M V Rama Rao as Chairman and Sri K.F Patil and Sri Shafi Khan, M.L.A., as Members under Government Order No. DPAR 14 PFC 78, dated the 27th April 1978.

Recently, in about 1500 cases of Belgaum Division, the Government of India have suspended the pension already sanctioned provisionally on the ground that the certificates issued by Sri S. S Patil Ex-M.L.A, of Nedkihal and the late Sri S B Padaki, Ex-M L.A, were found to be not acceptable. The Government of India have issued Show-Cause Notices to all the persons concerned, and the replies received from them have been forwarded to the State Government for verification and report. Many persons have not been able to produce any alternative or additional documents to support their cases. Many representations have been received by Government to constitute a separate Committee of Veteran Freedom Fighters of Belgaum District to scrutinise these case afresh and to send their views to the Government of India on whether the deserve to get pension.

ORDER No. DPAR 202 PFC 78, BANGALORE, DATED THE 20TH DECEMBER 1978.

After considering the entire question, Government are pleased to constitute a separate District Level Advisory Committee consisting of the following members :

(1) Sri B.Y. Deshpand (Annu Garuj), ... Chairman
(2) Sri C S. Wali. Ex M.L.A.,
(3) Sri Jayadevarao G. Kulkarni.

2. The Committee is entrusted with the work of scrutiny of those cases of Freedom Fighters of Belgaum Division, where the Government of India have suspended the provisional pension on the ground that the certificates issued by Sri S. S. Patil, Ex-M.L.A. of Belkihal and the late Sri S. B. Padaki Ex-M.L.A. were found to be not acceptable. On the basis of such additional documents as may be produced and such local enquiry/inspection as the Committee may consider necessary, the Committee shall send recommendations on each case to the State Government.

3. The members of the Committee are entitled to Travelling Allowance and Daily Allowance as per Government Order No. GAD 941 PFC 73 dated 19th May 1975.

4 The expenditure on the Committee is debitable to "252-Secretariat Services-III-Expenditure on Committees, conferenees, and Tribunals."

5. This Order issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department *vide* its U.O. Note No. FC 7903, dated 27th December 1978.

By Order and in the name of the Governor of Karnataka,

R. B MANVIKAR,
Deputy Secretary to Government,
Department of Personnel and
Administrative Reforms,
(Protocol and Political Pensions).